

ROYAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND (CHARTER).

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RETURN to an Order of the Honourable The House of Commons,  
dated 8 April 1881 ;—for,

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OF THE

C H A R T E R

OF THE

ROYAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND.

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VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith, to all to whom these presents shall come, greeting:

Whereas, by an Act of Parliament passed in the forty-third year of Our reign, entitled "The University Education (Ireland) Act, 1879," it is declared that it shall be lawful for Us, in case We shall be pleased so to do, by Charter to found a University in Ireland; and the said Act contains certain enactments concerning the constitution of the said University, and the provisions of the said Charter:

1. Know ye that We of Our special grace, certain knowledge, and mere motion, by and with the advice and consent of Our right trusty and right entirely beloved Cousin and Councillor John Winston, Duke of Marlborough, Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, Our Lieutenant General and General Governor of that part of our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland called Ireland; and according to the tenor and effect of Our Letter under Our Privy Signet and Royal Sign Manual, bearing date at our Court at Saint James's, the Twentieth day of April, in the Forty-third year of Our reign, and now enrolled in the Chancery Division of Our High Court of Justice in Ireland, have willed, ordered, constituted, ordained, and founded, and by these presents, for Us, Our heirs and successors, We do will, order, constitute, ordain, and found a University, which shall be one body politic and corporate, by the name of the Royal University of Ireland, by which name such body politic shall have perpetual succession, and shall have a common Seal, and shall by the same name sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, and answer and be answered unto, in every Court of Us, Our heirs and successors, and which University is hereinafter referred to as "The University."

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University.

2. And We do further will and ordain that the said body politic and corporate shall consist of a Chancellor, a Senate, and Graduates; and that the Chancellor shall be the person whom We hereby appoint, or whom We, Our heirs or successors shall from time to time appoint Chancellor of the University; and that the Senate shall consist of such persons, not exceeding thirty-six in number, as We hereby appoint, and as We, Our heirs or successors, shall from time to time appoint Senators under Our or their sign manual, and as shall be from time to time elected Senators by the Convocation of the University, under the powers hereinafter contained; and that the Graduates shall be the persons respectively on whom the University created by this Our Charter shall hereafter confer any Degree, and the persons on whom the University created by this Our Charter shall confer *ad eundem* Degrees or Honorary Degrees under the provisions hereinafter contained, and the persons who shall be Graduates of the Queen's University in Ireland at the time of its dissolution. And We do

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